

Chicago, Burlington, & Quincy Rail Road Freight Office
North West Corner of Second & Broadway streets
Quincy, Illinois
Adams County
Illinois

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HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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CHICAGO, BURLINGTON, AND QUINCY RAILROAD
FREIGHT OFFICE

Location: Northwest corner of Second and Broadway Street

Date of Construction: 1887

Present Owner: John H. Marten
2425 N. 24th St.
Quincy, Illinois 62301

Present Use: Presently used as a feed distributor's warehouse, (only the middle history of the 1887 structure and the freight bay addition are presently in use).

Significance: The structure embodies the distinctive characteristics of late-nineteenth century industrial architecture and also for its association with the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad, for which Quincy served as the southern terminus and which contributed to the city's status as an important transportation hub and commercial/industrial center from 1825 to 1910.

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C.B.&Q. Freight Office - NW Corner of Second and Broadway

This building is a two-story brick structure with a rusticated limestone foundation. It is currently owned by John H. Marten and is included in the Inventory of Historic Structures in Adams County, prepared in October 1972 by the Illinois Historic Structures Survey and the Inventory of Historic Landmarks in Adams County, prepared in January 1975 by the Illinois Historic Landmarks Survey.

The building is situated on a steep slope, such that the foundation is fully exposed on the southeast corner, thus making the building three stories tall on its west elevation. The north and south facades are eleven bays wide and the east and west facades are three bays wide.

An elaborately carved stone entry is located near the southwest corner of the building, on the south (Broadway Street) facade. The arched doorway is framed by stone pilasters topped with a sunburst panel and a cap of stylized swirled leaves. In the gabled area above the doorway arch, the carving includes a stylized "S" and "B" and the building's 1887 construction date.

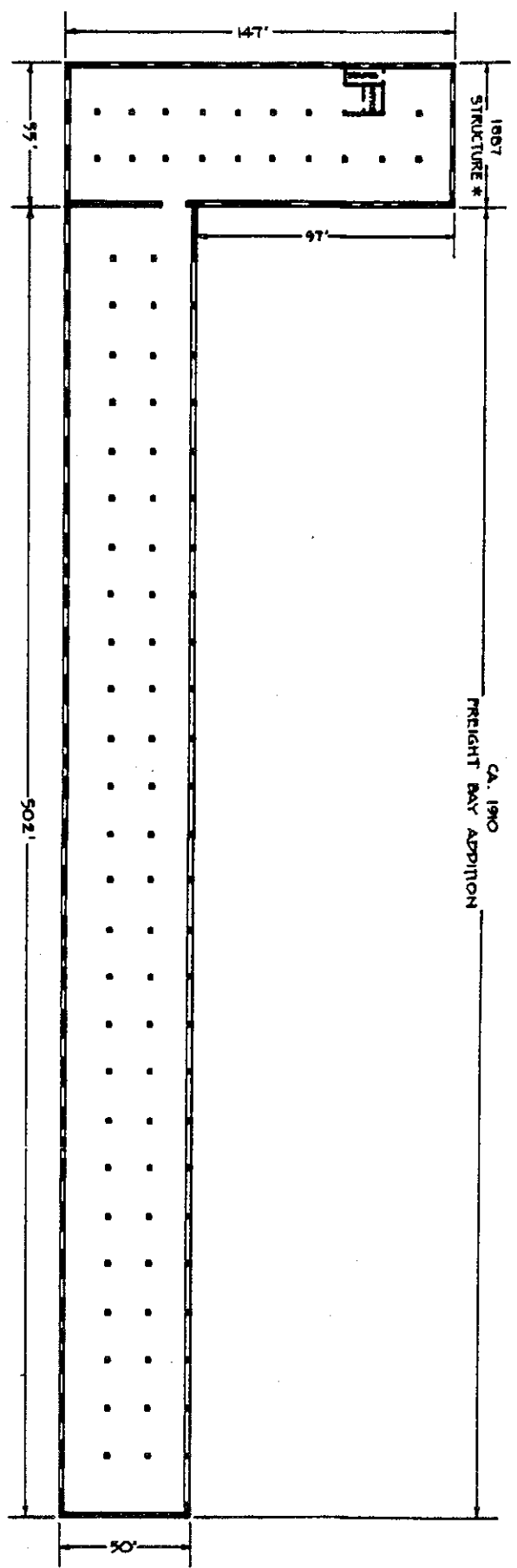
The principal facades of the building have brick pilasters and corbelled arches in addition to alternating basket-weave and sawtooth corbelled panels in bands above and below the first floor windows. Octopus-shaped ornamentation has been used on the tie rod bolts as an additional decorative element. All window openings are presently covered with painted aluminum panels.

Connected to the north facade of the building is a one-story, brick receiving and shipping facility which extends approximately 300 feet to the north.

This building is significant as a structure which embodies the distinctive characteristics of late-nineteenth century industrial architecture and also for its association with the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy (C.B.&Q.) Railroad, for which Quincy served as the southern terminus and which contributed to the city's status as an important transportation hub and commercial/industrial center from 1825 to 1910.

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OF THE 1887 STRUCTURE
WAS READILY ACCESSIBLE -
HOWEVER, THE BUILDING'S
OWNER INDICATED THAT THE
UPPER & LOWER STORY FLOOR
PLANS ARE SIMILAR TO
THAT OF THE CENTRAL STORY.

CHICAGO, BURLINGTON & QUINCY RAILROAD FREIGHT OFFICE - QUINCY, ILLINOIS - FLOORPLAN SKETCH



SCALE: 1" = 30'
J. BRUCE - DECEMBER 10, 1902